

# PET INFORMATION AND QUARANTINE



**M**oving to or from Hawaii with a pet takes advance planning and a lot of expenses. Hawaii is the only rabies-free state in the US. To maintain this unique status, there are strict guidelines and specific programs that must be completed before your cat or dog will be accepted into the state of Hawaii. Cats and dogs meeting specific pre- and post-arrival requirements may qualify for the 5-Day-Or-Less quarantine program, which has a provision for direct release at the Honolulu airport after inspection. Otherwise, they may have to be quarantined for up to 120 days upon arrival. Airline, veterinary, animal quarantine, and other costs can add up to hundreds or thousands of dollars, depending on where you're coming from, where your animal will be in the aircraft, how big your pet is, etc. Space for traveling in the cabin or the cargo compartment is subject to availability and seasonal/temperature limitations. Temporary lodging that allows pets is limited. The DoD may reimburse active-duty military members up to \$550 per family for pet quarantine expenses only (not pet transportation or other expenses). This is claimed on the PCS travel voucher with the Finance office. The best advice is to read the requirements very carefully and start planning early. Hawaii Rabies Quarantine Information Brochure is a **MUST READ** and available at: <https://hdoa.hawaii.gov/ai/files/2019/08/aqsbrochure-08.2019.pdf>. For more information, see the Hawaii Animal Quarantine Information Page at: <http://hdoa.hawaii.gov/ai/aqs/aqs-info/> CONTACT INFO for the Hawaii Animal Quarantine Station: Email: [rabiesfree@hawaii.gov](mailto:rabiesfree@hawaii.gov) Phone: (808) 483-7151 (email is better due to the high volume of calls and time zone differences) Mailing address to submit forms: Animal Quarantine Station 99-951 Halawa Valley Street Aiea, Hawaii 96701